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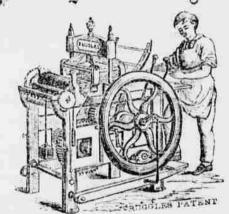
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## Miscellany.

#### The Rebellion.

The Western Christian Advocate says: " It is worthy of particular remark, that this Southern rebellion strikes at the very fundamental principles of our Government, and seeks

to overthrow them. 1. Our Government sets out with the doc-

trine that the people are the source of power; have made us all we are as a nation, must perthat government and laws derive their authori- ish from the earth. ty from the people, and that this Government is a Government of the people.

All this is ignored by the movers in the conspiracy to break up the Government. The people are not allowed any voice at all in the work Neither can this Government-least of all a acts against the Government of the United fensive action its great object, trusting that States. A Southern Congress is convened, and time will mollify the temper of its enemies, makes war upon the United States; and yet no and perhaps bring about a peaceful accommomember of the Southern Congress has been voted for by the people. This Congress appoints a President and a Vice President, neither of whom has had a single vote from the people. The leading idea of these Southern self-constituted office holders, is that the people are their servants, not they the servants of the people.

among men. All this is now scouted, and the Declaration of Independence pronounced a lie. It is now affirmed that Slavery instead of liberall the notions of its founders.

the first two great principles here enunciated, they are capable of sac ificing for the salva. nets; uniforms of every color, plumes and But the Southern revolutionists now declare the tion of the country, is at the command of pennons; musical instruments, the apparatus right to shatter this Union to atoms, and have the Government. Nepoleon, in the day of of artiflery, drums, bugles; but, good God ! set themselves in real carnestness to accomplish his usmost strength, never had greater means why dwell on the harrowing pictures of a

ern fire-cater can not tell in what way the Gov- - N. Y. World. ernment has wronged the seceding States, un less it has been in paying their debts, protecting their frontiers, giving them a share in all the offices of honor and profit three times great- labored under the delusion that when they er than they were entitled to by any rule of equi- should have openly rebelled against the Govty, and allowing them always to have their own ernment, and defied its authority, a powerful way under threats that unless they could they party of Northern sympathizers would spring would break up the Union. Because a Presi- up and join them, or would at least forbid and dent has been chosen who was not acceptable to prevent any army going from the North to some of them, is this a reason for breaking up put down rebellion and treason. They were the best Government that has ever existed? deluded into this notion by the falsehoods Who shall determine who is to be President in an elective Government, unless it be a majority? affoat merely for party purposes, and with What is to become of a republican Government their kindred falsehoods, that a large part of unless a majority under the Constitution shall the Northern people were seeking to destroy settle disputed questions? How can any Gov- the South, have contributed not a little to ernment exist if a minority at any time has a our present troubles. The result has shown right to destroy it! The Constitution provides that lying is bad policy, even in politics. checks, so that there can be no oppression of Those who have originated the falsehoods minorities which will not be likely to find a would give any thing now to undo what they

speedy remedy. although containing a white population of less than one-half of the city of Cincinnati, has a sympathy with the city of Cincinnati, has a representation in the Senate equal to that of since the world began were so many people the entire State of Ohio, with a white popula- so thoroughly, so terribly united, as are the tion about equal to the seven Contederate people of the Northern States, that the any one of the Confederate States; and yet sound of mighty thunderings .- W. C. Advoeach of these States has a representation in the cate. Senate equal to that of the entire State of New York; and the whole together equal to seven times that of New York, whose white population vastly outnumbers that of the whole

has it done? And there is not a Southern man wise enough to answer the question. The attempt to break up the Government of the Uniat the time, but returning reason will make him as follows: thankful for not having been allowed to destroy himse'f in an attempt to kill somebody else .-The Union must be preserved now, cost what it other distinguished men. They were all may. It were better that every city in the Un- were talking over 'nullification,' the engrosion was in ashes, that every railroad was dessing subject at that period, and the President to future ages the blessings of our free institu- of meal with both ends open. Pick it up in Presbyterian.

is too costly, and too valuable to be made the sport of every madman. Whatever arrays itself against those great and blessed principles, which

#### Swift and Sweiepng War.

It was a maxim of the Duke of Wellington that England can not afford a little war. dation without much effusion of blood; or if it confines itself to a few isolated demonstrations of an aggressive character-this conflict will surely be protracted for years, and probably end in dishonor at last. If, on the other hand, it instantaneously summons every passionately, shivering his pipe upon the energy, and confronts rebellion with all the table. overwhelming resources at its command; if 2. Another leading idea in the formation of it shapes all i's plans on the broadest scale, the American Republic was liberty and equality and goes resolutely and swiftly forward to

## Determination to Preserve the Union.

Many of the Southern revolutionists have industriously circulated among them by many Northern presses. These falsehoods were set have done.

But since the real danger to our Govern-States put together. The single city of New Union shall not be destroyed. Their voice York contains a larger white population than is like the sound of many waters, and the

## Old Hickory on Nullification.

The following account of on interview at the White House, which we find quoted in Parton's . Life of General Jackson,' will be The question comes up again, Why is this read with interest just now, as giving a effort to destroy the Government? What evil glimpse behind the scenes at a period of our twelve centuries the name of Christ has been present. At the height of the nullification excitement, General Sum Dale, of Mississippi an old friend of Jackson's called on him at ted States is most diabolical. And it is a kind- the Presidential mansion, and the manner in ness no less to the revolutionists themselves than which the engrossing topic repeatedly breaks to the loyal portion of the people, to put a stop out in the course of conversation in other to this wretched business. It is sometimes a matters, shows that it was uppermost in the kindness to restrain a maniae by force from in- old hero's mind. After the first shaking juring himself or others. He may not like it of hands the parrative of the visit proceeds

We walked into his reception room, and I was introduced to Col. Beaton and five or six civil and invited me to visit them. They

tions, than to allow revolution and treason to the middle or endwise, and it will run out. triumph over the land. The i sue is now upon . I must the the bay and save the country.' us, and must be met in the spirit which inspired The company now took leave, but when I our fathers; and the contemptible notion that rose to retire with Col. King, the General any petty State can dissolve the Union at pleas- detained me, and directed his servant to reure, must be driven from the Western Continent | fuse visitors till one o'clock. He talked over forever. The glorious heritage of our fathers our campaigns, and then of the business that brought me to Washington He then said, ' Sam, you have been true to your country, but you have made one mistake in life. You are now old and solitary, without a bosem friend or family to comfort you. God called mine away. But all I have achieved -fame, power, every thing-would I exchange, if she could be restored to me for a

moment.' The iron man trembled with emotion, and for some time covered his face with his hands, of dissolution. A set of usurpers declare a little domestic war. If our Federal rule and tears dropped on his knee. I was deeply State out of the Union, and without waiting does not throw its whole hearty strength into affected myself. He took two or three turns for the voice of the people proceed to warlike a struggle now begun; if it makes simple de- across the room, and then abruptly said, · Dale, they are trying me here; you will witness it; but, by the God of Heaven, I will upho'd the laws.'

I understood him to be referring to nullification again, his mind avidently having recurred to it, and I expressed the hope that things would go right.

' They shall go right, sir ! ' he exclaimed.

#### Waterloo after the Battle.

On the surface of two square miles, it was execute them-the rebellion may be crushed ascertained that fifty thousand men and horout within three months, and in a manner ses were lying! The luxurious crop of ripe that will forever prevent all possibility of its grain which had covered the field of battle. recurrence. The nineteen millions of the was reduced to litter, and beaten into the ty is the true idea of any good Government, North full well understand that they have got earth, and the surface, trodden down by the and that our Government must be overthrown to make this war the business of the season; cavalry and furrowed deeply by the cannonfor want of this element, so directly opposed to and they are prepared to give to it their wheels, strewed with many a relie of the fight. whole mind and energy. There is literally Helmets and cuirasses, shattered fire-arms 3. The third grand idea which enters into no limit to their zeal and devotion. Every and broken swords; all the variety of military our Government is union for the maintenance of thing they are capable of doing, every thing ornaments, lancer caps and Highland bonat his disposal for resistless war than Presi- foughten field ?-each and every ruinous dis-The question, therefore, before the Govern- dent Lincoln has this very twenty-fourth day play bore mute testimony to the misery of of April. He was but to speak, and untold such a battle. \* \* \* Could the melanment is one of life and death. It is a question legions of the bravest men that ever breathed choly appearance of this scene of death be of self-preservation. Shall the Government of are before him, and at his feet money beyond heightened, it would be by witnessing the rethe United States allow itself to be put to computation. It this holy cause suffers for search of the living, amid its desolation, for death? The Government of the United States want of quickness and breadth of action on the objects of their love. Mothers, and wives has wronged no one. The most violent South- his part he had better never have been born. and children, for days were occupied in that mouraful duty; and the con usion of the corpses-friend and fee intermingled, as they were--often rendered the attempt at recognizing individuals difficult,a d sometimes impossible. \* \* \* In many places the dead lay four deep upon each other, marking the spot some British square had occupied, expoed for hours to the murderous fi e of a French battery. Outside, lancer and cuirassier were scattered thickly on the earth. Madly attempting to force the servied bayonets of the British, they had fallen in bootless essav by the musketry of the inner files. Farther on. you trace the spot where the cavalry of France and England had encountered; cha-seur and hussar were intermingled; and the heavy horses of the Imperial Guard were interpersed with the gay chargers which had carried Albion's chivalry. Here the Highlander and tiralleur lay, and the dragoon, with green Erin's badge upon his helmet, was grapping in death with the Polish lancer. On the summit of the ridge, where the ground was cumbered with the dead, and trodden tetlock deep in mud and gore by the rush of cavalry, was the spot where Napoleon had been defeated. In the hollow below, the last struggle of France had been made; there the Old Guard attempted to meet the British and afford time to their disorganized companions to

## The Living Word.

On the door of the great mosque in the old city of Damascus are inscribed these remarkable words, "Thy kingdom, O Christ, is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth throughout all generations." For twelve centuries that mosque, once a Christian church, has ranked among the very holiest sanctuaries in the Mohammedan world. For history which bears a close analogy to the regularly blasphemed in it, and the disciples of Christ have been regularly cursed in it .-The inscription, nevertheless, has remained, unimpaired by time, undisturbed by man, as if to prove that no amount of human power, that no refinement of human cruelty, could destroy Christ's kingdom. That inscription was unknown during the long reign of Mohammedan intolerance and oppression; but just at the time when religious liberty was partially restored, and Christian missionaries were enabled to establish a church in that city, it was again brought to light, and served to encourage them in their work of faith and labor of love, remembering and applying the prophecy " And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they stroyed, and every third man in the nation per- turning to me said, General Dale, if this shall repair the waste cities, the desolations ish, if need be, in a successful effort to transmi | thing goes on, our country will be like a bag of many generations."-Isa. lxi. 4 .-- Central